



Olivier Cherpillod

Partner
Attorney-at-law

For many years, Olivier Cherpillod has focused in business law, including notably general contract law, mergers and acquisitions, corporate law and labour and immigration law.

His strong commercial and corporate expertise includes in particular legal assistance and support for structured transactions such as company purchase or sale (through share deal or asset deal), mergers and demergers, fund raising as well as business or financial reorganizations. He regularly advises Swiss and foreign corporate clients on all legal issues arising in the frame of the setting up, running or closing of their subsidiaries or branches in Switzerland (ramping up or ramping down of companies, work permits, employment contracts, staff regulations, agency, distribution, franchising contracts).

Active in the fields of regulatory compliance for the health and the financial sectors, Olivier Cherpillod also acts as auditor for the self-regulated organism (SRO) of the Swiss Bar Association and of the Swiss Notary Association as regards money laundering. He is further secretary to the professional ethic commission of EXPERTsuisse.

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EXPERTISE

Corporate and M&A
Commercial and Contracts
Employment, Social Security, Pension and Immigration
Healthcare
Banking and Finance

LANGUAGES

French
English
German

CAREER

Since 2024	Partner, valfor
2005–2024	Founding Partner, Mercuris Avocats (formerly Lexartis Avocats), Lausanne
2002–2005	Senior Associate, RWB Avocats (formerly Suter Avocats, member of the Landwell network), Lausanne
1999–2002	Associate, KPMG Fides, Lausanne
1994–1999	Associate, Des Gouttes & Associés, Geneva

EDUCATION

1995–1996	Master of Comparative Jurisprudence (M.C.J.), University of New-York
1987–1991	Master of Law (summa cum laude), University of Lausanne

MEMBERSHIPS

Vaud Bar Association
Swiss Bar Association
AGDA (Association genevoise du droit des affaires)
CEDIDAC

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2014 AMLA Controller, SRO FSA/FSN, Berne

2007 Secretary for French-speaking Switzerland, Professional Ethics Committee of EXPERTsuisse (formerly Chambre Fiduciaire), Zurich